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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Official Communication dated April 30, 2003 for four months from June 30, 2003 to October 30, 2003.

A credit card authorization form to cover the cost of the extension is attached. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No.: 07-1337.

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